

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the subject application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, Claims 51, 52, 55, 56, and 58-63 have been cancelled. Claims 68-76 have been added. Claim 67 has been amended.

Based on the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, the application is deemed to be in condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested.

Claim 51, 52, 55, 56, 58-63 and 67 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraph, for an alleged insufficiency of the disclosure and for allegedly being indefinite. Claims 51, 52, 55, 56, 58-63, and 67 were not rejected over the prior art.

The Examiner pointed out in the Office Action that the specification provides support only for use of a needle bed adapter with a microtitration plate and not with a pipetting device, and for use of a capacitor plate only with the microtitration plate.

As noted above, claims 51, 52, 55 and 58-63, directed to the use of the needle bed adapter with a pipetting device have been cancelled. The new claims

68-75 are identical in scope to claims 51, 52,55 and 58-63 but are directed to use of a needle bed adapter with a microtitration plate. It is respectfully submitted that claims 68-75 are allowable.

It is further respectfully submitted that claims 67 and 76 are likewise allowable. Specifically, claim 67 is directed to use of a capacitor plate likewise with a microtitration plate.

Claim 76 depends on claim 67 and is likewise allowable.

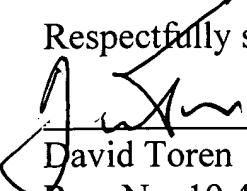
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawing be further amended or corrected in formal respects, in order to place in case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendment or correction be carried out by Examiner's amendment and the case passed issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal

discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

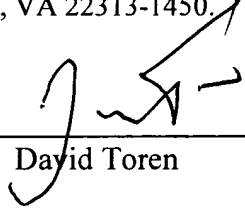
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